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SUBJECT: MINTRADE VISIT ON U.S. ANTI-TRUST

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1. IN RESPONSE TO QUESTION POSED PARA 3 REFTEL MIN TRADE GROUP MEMBERS PROVIDED FOLLOWING RESPONSES, NIGERIA HAS NO REPEAT NO DRAFT VLAW ON RESTRICTIVE BUSINESS PRACTICES. MININSTRIES OF TRADE AND JUSTICE WILL FORMULATE ONE AFTER GROUPS TRIP.

2. GROUP PROVIDED FOLLOWING SPECIFIC QUESTIONS: WILL NIGERIA'S MANPOWER SHORTAGE PROVIDE PROBLEMS FOR ENFORCEMENT OF ANTI-TRUST? NIGERIA HAS NO ANTI-TRUST LAWYERS: CAN U.S. PROVIDE HELP WITH MANPOWER TRAINING? WHAT CRITERIA ARE USED FOR DETERMINING MONOPOLY AND FOR GRANTING EXEMPTION? DO INTER-LOCKING DIRECTORATES CAUSE ANY SPECIAL PROBLEMS OF IMPLEMENTATION?

3. THE GROUP UNANIMOUSLY AGREED THAT THE PURPOSE OF THE PROPOSED LAW WAS TO ALLOW THE MAJORITY OF NIGERIANS TO PARTICIPATE IN ALL SECT ORS  
OF THE ECONOMY, PARTICULARLY MANUFCATURING, DISTRIBUTION AND SERVICES AND TO PREVENT A PRIVILEGED FEW FROM CONTROLLING THE ECONOMIC RESOURCES OF THE NATION.

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